## Lincoln in Kalamazoo **Sesquicentennial Anniversary**

» Sunday August 27, 2006



1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Kalamazoo Public Library, 315 S. Rose St.

Costumed library staff will host an exhibit of more fabulous reproduction dresses that would have been worn by women from various walks of life in the mid 1800's. All garments are courtesy of Patti Borrello Civil War Era Clothing Reproductions.

The library will also display its sizable collection of Abraham Lincoln and Civil War-related materials, including "The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies," a series of more than 100 volumes held by the Kalamazoo Public Library, a federal government document depository since 1907.

Copies of Swanson's Manhunt: The Twelve Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer, plus other materials about Lincoln and the Civil War, may be purchased at the event, courtesy of Barnes & Noble.

### **Meet Abraham** and Mary Todd Lincoln

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm Kalamazoo Valley Museum, 230 N. Rose St.

Meet Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln (portrayed by reenactors Fred and Bonnie Priebe) and stroll with them to Bronson Park at 2:00 pm to kick off this unique celebration of their visit.

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#### **Celebration in Bronson Park**

2:25 pm - 5:30 pm

Opening Remarks 2:25 pm Dr. Pat Norris Director, Kalamazoo Valley Museum

Background on the Lincoln Visit 2:30 pm Senator Tom George will profile Mr. Lincoln, describing his work, why he was invited to speak in Michigan, and his position in the political world at the time of his visit to Michigan.

## Speech Reenactment 2:45 pm

Mr. Lincoln will reprise his August 27, 1856, speech in Bronson Park rallying support for Republican presidential nominee John Fremont.

#### Music in the Park! 3:30 pm

The authentically-costumed Dodworth Saxhorn Band will play 1850s music on original instruments.

#### Rededication 4:15 pm

The restored "Lincoln at Kalamazoo" Michigan Historical Marker will be unveiled at the site of Lincoln's Kalamazoo speech.

# Honored Guests

State Senator Tom George, 20th District

Dr. William Anderson, Director of History Arts Libraries, State of Michigan

Mary Balkema, Kalamazoo City Commissioner

#### Close of Celebration 5:30 pm

Bring a picnic dinner and enjoy the park the rest of the evening.



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